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News Items.

A southern paper characterizes Talmage as "the sky-raking, acrobatic Tabernacle yelper and gay prevaricator."

Information reaches us that parties living near Lake City, have been mutilating bulls belonging to cattle men. The particulars are too disgusting for publication.—Medicine Lodge Index.

Spotted Tail, son of the Sioux chief of that name has eloped with another man's wife, and yet some people say the Indian shows no signs of civilization.

Anthony, Kansas, now has a grist mill in operation. The proprietors are men of experience, and employ the best millers in the county. Anthony people may well feel proud of this enterprise.

John Cuddy, who is holding his own and the cattle of Standiford & Moore, came up from his ranch on Pond Creek yesterday evening. John reports their through cattle in fine condition, many of them fit for beef.—Cresset.

The parents of sixteen graduates of the Kansas university were poor. Thirty-seven graduates came from families in moderate circumstances, and only three can boast of wealth. Evidently that is not a rich man's college.—K. C. Journal.

Fifty-eight national banks were organized during the past year, five have failed and twenty-one went into voluntary liquidation, leaving an increase for the year of thirty-two banks. The total number of national banks now doing business is two thousand one hundred and two.

The manufacture of agricultural implements has doubled in the United States during the last ten years. Ohio leads off in this branch of manufacture, giving employment to 10,300 people; Illinois follows, New York comes next and then Pennsylvania.

The city ordinance authorizing dramshop licences was repealed Monday evening, the sale of intoxicants prohibited and a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars fixed therefor, by a new ordinance. This places the gin seller in the same boat with the gambler.—Wellington Press.

The United States Electric Lighting Company is now having made the cables necessary to lay its wire along Broadway, Wall and Broad streets, New York, by which the electric light is to be furnished to many of the banking houses, whose owners have made application for small incandescent lamps. The prices charged will be a little less than is charged for gas.

Gen. Howard, the new commander at West Point, is about to make some radical changes in the customs of that institution. Snobbery has been one of the chief features of cadet life, and the general says when he was a cadet himself he was sent to coventry for nearly two years because he recognized socially the son of his guardian, who was a sergeant in the corps of engineers. He intends to break down this spirit of caste.—K. C. Journal.

Chief John M. Swellbelly Steele, Col. David Shadbelly Payne and Maj. Busthead Hutchison and their boom is not a success. They gathered together in bunches near the State line and were confronted with squads of United States soldiers at every point, and were thus prevented from entering the Territory. At last accounts the boomers and the troops were on each side of the line making faces at each other.—Walnut Valley Times.

Henry Douglass, of Sun City, died very suddenly on last Friday evening, December 24th, 1880, of heart disease. A little after dark Mr Douglass went out for the purpose of sawing an arnaffull of wood, and from the indications after taking hold of the saw had fallen over the saw-buck and died without a struggle. Mr Douglass was an elderly gentleman and very universally respected for his upright life and christian deportment. In his death Sun City loses one of her best citizens.—Cresset.

Coffeyville, Kan. has very peculiar case of double suicide. Henrietta Bailey, aged eighteen years, daughter of J. G. Bailey, a prominent gentleman of that place, was to have been married Christmas to Charles Dilley, a young man in the employ of said Bailey. The wedding was twice postponed, the second time until four days after New year's. She committed suicide that afternoon by taking strychnine, and on the following day Dilley followed her example. No cause is known for these suicides, as they had never had any trouble and the parents made no objections.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

On the 15th ult., Taylor King, of Jackson township, came to town to make some purchases. In buying a stove at a second hand store next door to Johnston's livery stable, he dropped a part of the \$110 he had in his pocket book; but picked up at least a portion of it. In a few moments, John Scott, the auctioneer, who mysteriously disappeared recently, passed by and picked up twenty dollars near where Mr. King had dropped his money, and gave it to Mr. King, believing it to be his. Soon after W. M. Jackson and J. C. McMillen came driving up. Jackson asked if any money had been found in that vicinity and said he had lost twenty dollars there an hour before. He was told of the King transaction, whereupon he secured T. C. Gatliff, Jr., W. H. Stevenson and J. C. McMillen and started in pursuit of King. Gatliff and Jackson overtook King about five miles south of town and compelled him to give them the twenty dollars and five dollars each as "expenses." Mr. King and his attorney, Hon. Thomas George, tried to get a peaceable settlement from these parties until last Friday. Failing to do so the quartette was arrested on a charge of highway robbery. They were taken before Squire Smith, of Jackson township, on Saturday, where they appeared in a semi-drunken state and vied with each other in the use of obscene and profane language, the city marshal coming out ahead. They refused to enter into personal recognizance for their appearance Monday morning until commitments were issued. They came up for preliminary hearing before Squire Smith Monday; Stevenson and McMillen were discharged, Gatliff and Jackson were bound over to District Court in the sum of \$300 each.—Press.

We welcome to our exchange list the Kansas City Commercial Indicator. This paper is devoted to the interests of stock men and is the best market reporter we have seen. No stock man should be without it.

The people of Mobeetie, Tex. came together Christmas eve to celebrate—and they did celebrate in good style. B. F. Clampitt had prepared a room for the occasion and a large tree had been tastefully decorated by the ladies. The tree was heavily loaded with presents valued at \$500. When the little folks had all assembled, Kris Kringle made his appearance, wished them all a merry Christmas and distributed the presents. After this the room was cleared and while Mr. Wilson played the violin, all who were so inclined enjoyed the dance. At midnight, a lunch consisting of pies, cakes, etc., which had been prepared by Mrs. Clampitt, was served. A more social people I never saw, everybody seemed to be happy and desirous of making others so. Not a harsh word was spoken nor a discord of any kind noticed. Whereupon we conclude that Mobeetie's citizens and their neighbors are clever people, and we wish to see them prosper and their town improve. * *

The Commercial Indicator publishes a list of cattle held in the Indian Territory, giving names of owners and location of ranges, but for want of space we are unable to give more than a synopsis of the report. "The natural shipping points for these cattle are Caldwell, Hunnewell and Harper, Kan., and the number to be shipped next season foots up 54,810 out of a total of 150,100 head. West of the Evans range, in the Pan Handle of Texas, the Indian Territory and Kansas, south and southwest of Dodge there are about 200,000 more, about 60,000 head of which will be marketed, and are naturally tributary to Dodge City and Kinsley. In the event of a cut in rates, as was the case last season, a large number of these cattle would be driven farther east and shipped from the first named points. As the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe road now controls all the prominent cattle shipping points, however, the probabilities are that there will be no cut rates."

A terrible accident occurred on the Nebraska division of the Chicago, St. Paul & Omaha road, near Middle Creek, on the 4th inst. The scene of the accident was a deep, curved cut 800 feet long, which had been drifted full of snow. It had been scooped out just wide enough for a train to pass, but trouble was still experienced from falling snow. The passenger train was coming at the rate of twenty miles an hour, when the engineer felt the engine strike something. He immediately stopped his train and found locked in the wheels and in the drift six men literally ground to pieces. Two were badly cut to pieces but may recover. The men probably undertook to stand between the drifted snow and the passing train and were drawn in by the suction through the narrow pass. Fine snow was flying so that it was impossible for the engineer to see the men, who were employees of the road and engaged in shoveling snow.

News reached here to-day stating that Dr. Cushing who was shot by Ed. Powell in Trinidad the other day, account of which appeared in yesterday's Journal, and who was then reported in a critical condition had since died of his wounds. The report which is here given for what it is worth only states that Doctor Cushing called Powell to his bed side before he died and exculpated him of all blame in the matter, saying that the latter had acted in self-defense and did no more than the dying man would have done under similar circumstances; after which Powell proceeded on his way East.—Albuquerque Journal.

The Mexican Government has given Captain Eads' company the right to build a ship railway across the isthmus. Tehuantepec grants it one million acres of land on the shore of the Pacific on which to construct the terminus of the road and establish a harbor. It empowers it to charge and collect a toll of five dollars per ton on weight of ship and cargo passing over the road. The right is also given for a railroad and telegraph line, on which only customary rates can be charged. In return for this Captain Eads agrees to carry on the railroad all ships of war, munitions, mails, etc., free of charge. The building of the road must be commenced within two years, and completed in ten years from May 1, 1881.

Mrs. M. P. White will give an elocutionary entertainment at the Arapahoe Mission this evening. She has a fine reputation as an elocutionist and we expect a rare treat.

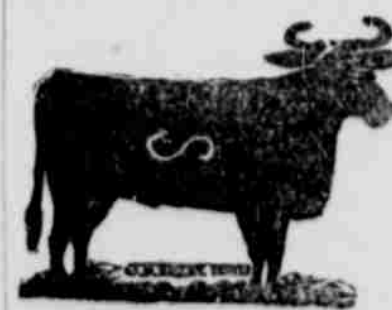
Live Stock Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 7, '81.
CATTLE—Market steady for good fat butchers and shipping; common and medium slow; native steers averaging 1338 lbs., sold at \$4.55; cows, \$2.50@3.25; butchers steers, \$3.75@4.15.

HOGS—Market firm and 5c higher; sales ranged \$4.25@4.60; bulk at \$4.40@4.45.

The Kansas City Journal.

The Kansas City Daily Journal is, as it always has been, fully abreast of the times, furnishing its readers with the latest news from all parts of the world and the very best selected matter for the family. "Give your patrons the worth of their money" is the motto of this staunch paper, and we know of no concern that lives up to its preaching more thoroughly. Besides getting the regular Press dispatches, the Journal has a large number of special reporters and special correspondents who are everywhere present when there is anything of interest to be had. The Journal has no superior as a market reporter, giving each day the very latest quotations of Money, Provisions, Live Stock, etc. of Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, New York, Liverpool and other home and foreign markets. In home and family reading matter, the Journal is unsurpassed by any, and the paper throughout is a monument to the sagacity and ability of its managers. The people of the great West are justly proud of the Journal for it is a Western paper in every sense of the term and in every part shows that vigor which characterizes Western enterprise.



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